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"This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven." (Acts 1:11.)

"And they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory." (Matt. 24:30.)

"And every eye shall see Him." (Rev. 1:7.)

"And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be." (Rev. 22:12.)

FOR HIS SAINTS. Our Lord Jesus says: "I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." (John 14:3.)

"For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord." (1 Thess. 4:16-17. See also 1 Cor. 15:51-52, Phil. 3:20-21.)

WITH HIS SAINTS. After this meeting in the air, they will come back with the Lord when He returns to judge the wicked.

"Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of His saints, to execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly

among them of all their ungodly deeds." (Jude 14-15).

"The Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ." (2 Thess. 1:7-10. Also Zech. 14:4-9, Matt. 25:31-46, Rev. 6 to 20.)

WHEN WILL HE COME? God tells us plainly that no man knoweth the day and the hour of His coming (Matt. 24:36). But he has never left His people in darkness about His great purposes, and He never will. "Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but He revealeth His secret unto His servants the prophets." (Amos 3:7.)

He certainly told Noah that the flood was coming. And before He destroyed Sodom by fire, He told Abraham. He told Jeremiah that Israel would be carried into captivity; and He told the early church about the coming destruction of Jerusalem.

And so it is today: the Lord is speaking to the hearts of His people, and telling them that His coming is at hand. He has also given us many signs and events to look for, and He said "When ye shall SEE all these things, KNOW that it is NEAR, even AT THE DOORS." (Matt. 24:33.)

THE OUTSTANDING SIGNS of His coming are those regarding the Jews, and the were slain, and the rest were "led away captive into all nations; and Jerusalem shall be land of Palestine. When Jerusalem was destroyed (70 A.D.,) more than a million Jews

trodden down of the Gentiles, UNTIL the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled." (Luke 21:24)

And Jerusalem has been "trodden down" of the Gentiles UNTIL it was delivered from the rule of the cruel Turk in 1917. A few years later, it was returned to the Jews under British protection; and since that time the Jews have been returned in large numbers to "their own land" as God said they would (Ezek. 37:21.) So it is clear that the "times of the Gentiles" are ending, and that the coming of the Lord is at hand. If we had no other sign to watch for but just this one, it would be sufficient; but thank the Lord there are MANY OTHER SIGNS.

In fact, there are so many of them that we cannot even refer to them all in this brief message. We are told that there will be great wars and earthquakes, famines and pestilence; false Christs; many false prophets; much traveling about, and a great increase of knowledge; the advent of the automobile and airplane; great peace plans, but preparations for war; the reviving of the Roman Empire; the preparedness of Russia and other nations for the final struggle; great distress on earth, and perplexity among the nations, with men's hearts failing them for fear of what is coming; the rich oppressing the poor, and amassing great wealth (James 5;) the great Apostasy in the churches (2 Tim. 3;) and much scoffing at the promise of His coming (2 Pet. 3.) And He tells us: "When these things BEGIN to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your

needs; for your redemption draweth nigh."
(Luke 21:28).

ARE YOU READY to meet Him? If you are not absolutely certain that you are, will you not seek Him 'til you find Him? The time is short, and you may not have much of it left. We beseech you not to rest either day or night 'til you know that you are ready for his coming.

You can surely find Him if you read His message to you—the Bible. In it you will learn that you are a sinner (Rom. 3); that your final destination is in the lake of fire (Rev. 21:8); and that no good works you can ever do will save you. (Titus 3:5, Eph. 8:8-9, Matt. 7:22-23.)

And then you will learn that God loves you with an everlasting love; that the Lord Jesus laid down His life for you, and willingly bore the punishment for all of your sins on the cross. Receive Him into your heart, and thank Him for all He has done for you. If you will, He will forgive all of your sins and give you eternal life. (Read St. John, Romans, and Isaiah 53.) And come to Him today, for tomorrow may be too late. God says:

"Boast not thyself of tomorrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth."
(Prov. 27:1.)

"Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh." (Matt. 24:44.)

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